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### PESTICIDE CONTAINER DISPOSAL

In order for metal, plastic and glass containers which have held any liquid pesticides to be accepted at disposal sites, they must be certified by the San Luis Obispo County Agricultural Commissioner's office prior to delivery to the approved disposal site by the person in possession. A copy of the certificate is to be given to the landfill operator.

Disposal sites approved for pesticide containers in San Luis Obispo County:

Chicago Grade Landfill – Homestead Road, Atascadero  
Cold Canyon Landfill – Edna Road, San Luis Obispo  
Paso Robles, City of – Hwy. 46, Paso Robles

When requesting a Pesticide Container Disposal Certificate, or for additional information, contact the San Luis Obispo County Agricultural Commissioner's office.

Requirements for certification are as follows:

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| Containers must be        | – accessible for inspection<br>– completely drained<br>– uncrushed at time of inspection   |
| Person in possession must | – provide a count of containers<br>– certify that the containers have been rinsed in accordance with Section 6684 of the California Code of Regulations. |

Section 6684

The rinse and drain procedure for each emptied container which has less than 28 gallons of liquid pesticide shall be as follows:

1. Use the following amount of water or other designated spray carrier for each rinse.

<u>Size of Container</u>	<u>Amount of Rinse Water</u>
Less than 5 gallons	1/4 container volume
5 gallons or more	1/5 container volume

2. Place required minimum amount of rinse medium in the container, replace closure securely and agitate.
3. Drain rinse solution from container into tank mix. Allow container to drain 30 seconds after normal emptying.
4. Repeat (2) and (3) above a minimum of two times so as to provide a total of three rinses, or a jet rinse equivalent to the triple rinse procedure may be used. A closed system must be used to rinse containers holding Category I materials.

Note: This rinse procedure is considered inadequate for containers larger than 28 gallons and we are unable to certify them at this time.

### Paper Sacks

Empty paper sacks that have held pesticides may be burned in the field after obtaining a burn permit from the California Department of Forestry. Air Pollution Control regulations prohibit the burning of plastics.